

Died

In this town Mrs. Laveretia Osgood. Wife
of Dr. Joseph Osgood aged 61

The virtues and graces which beam forth with so
Mild and beautiful lustre in the female character
have a most powerful influence on Society. This
influence is often overlooked. or known only in its
consequences. It is noiseless. but lively and sure in

Its operation: like the stream which gliding silently along.
Enriches and beautifies the adjacent grounds: Hence
the death of a sensible and virtuous female must be Severe..
by felt within the sphere she illumined and warmed
Her example: as the Soil will lose its wonted verdure
when its fertilizing waters are dried up. Such was Mrs. . .

Osgood. with mental powers naturally strong and inqu-
isitive. enlightend and enriched by judicious reading
and sedulous observation. her conversation was eminently
instructive and entertaining; while the ease, suavity
and dignity of her manners added their charm to render
her the amiable. intelligent. and truly refined Lady. Her
disposition was of the most social and communicative kind:
and She had the happy faculty. while she derived plea-
.. sure from the company and converse of others. to make them
unusually pleased with her. and happy in themselves

In the circles of polished social life. many will long remem-
ber with what delight the resources of her memory. her inno-
cent pleasantry. as well as more serious remarks. have
enchaind attention: so that her company was relinquished
with regret. as it was welcomed with earnestness. In her
heart the tender charities and benevolent sympathies
which adorn our nature had a favorite abode. Their influen-
ce was felt: if not always seen in. "Stanching the bleeding
heart" and relieving the wants of helpless indigence: as
a private individual and as directress of the Female
Charitable Society. a most laudable institution. which
to say the least She did as much as any one: to establish:
She had especial opportunities for exhibiting that chief
grace below: and all in all above. "a compassionate temper: and
with what deep interest and active beneficence She engaged in
the cause of the widowed orphan. their tears at her departure
are the most eloquent answer. in the walks of domestic life She
was a rare example of correct. hospitable and amiable deportment
Tenderly alive to the relations of wife and Mother. She solici-
tously and faithfully performed the endeared and important
duties attached to them: the well being of her family was

an indispensable basis of her own joy. But it was religion which tempered & purified the feelings & affections of her heart. which gave direction and animation to her life. "in all her griefs, and God had given her share it was religion which moderated their anguish: relieved the murmur of discontent and lighted up in the countenance the aspect of heartfelt resignation. Piety, supported by faith kept her course unmoved amid the storm. On religious topics she conversed with the force and elegance of one well acquainted with and sincerely loving them as educating ^{and} soul for a residence in Heaven. The Gospel with her was a rule of conduct, simple and well defined: to her view ~~enough~~ was clear for the guidance of a candid, docile mind: while she left elaborate speculations to those who esteeming faith as a tame inactive principle strive to explore, with human reason as a clue the intricacies of God's word and government. The last hours of approaching dissolution were passed in tranquil contemplation and prayer, and solemn converse with her beloved family: and while lingering on the verge of the grave: when the corporeal eye grows dim, patient amid most trying pains and infirmities: she was blessed with an unclouded mental vision, with an enlivening hope and humble reliance on the merits of the redeemer, at whose feet she had long sat a loving disciple. Her bereaved family and friends have in

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